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GASQUET ROUTE 199 UPGRADE TO BEGIN

Eureka - Caltrans announced today that a project to upgrade Route 199 from Gasquet Flat Road to Middle Fork Gasquet Road in Gasquet, Del Norte County, is scheduled to begin on Monday, August 4. The work hours will be 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, weekdays. The work is anticipated to be competed by the end of August.

During this project, one lane will be open to traffic in each direction and motorists should anticipate minor traffic slowdowns. Patrons of area businesses may experience temporary minor re-routed access. There may be brief, intermittent one-way controlled traffic to enable equipment movement. During these times, motorists may experience 10-minute delays.

This project will include an asphalt overlay and restriping to allow safer left turns. Passing lanes will be removed within the project limits and a continuous left turn lane and bike lanes will be added. Caltrans worked with the community of Gasquet on this project to provide safer access to roads, businesses, and private driveways adjacent to the highway.

The estimated cost of this project is \$380,000. The contractor is Granite Construction.

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